

**REMARKS**

Upon reviewing the application after allowance, the Applicants' representative noted that the independent claims recite a plate member, which is generic to the muffler plate for a compressor having a discharge muffler chamber or a cap for a direct-discharge compressor. The claims as allowed, however, did not include dependent claims to the muffler plate or cap concepts. Applicants request that the Examiner enter the proposed dependent claims, which are supported by the specification and drawings as originally filed.

**CONCLUSION**

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

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